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**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 2, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- This application is a continuation of U.S. Serial No. 08/984,325 filed December 3, 1997,  
whose contents are expressly incorporated herein by reference. The present invention relates to a  
channel control method and apparatus, and particularly, though not exclusively, to a method and  
apparatus for implementing a radio frequency message or paging system. --